Docket No.: 44376-028

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

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Serial No.: 09/437,499

Group Art Unit: 2622

Filed: November 10, 1999

Examiner: WALLERSON, Mark E.

For:

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS

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Dear Sir:

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

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The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	23	20	3	\$18.00 =	\$54.00
Independent Claims	7 .	4	3	\$84.00 =	\$252.00
		Multiple claims newly presented			\$0.00
		Fee for extension of time		\$400.00	
					\$0.00
		Total of Above Calculations		\$706.00	

- Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>500417</u> in the amount of \$706.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed July 2, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 10, 12, 16 and 17 as follows:

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- 1. (Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:
- a plurality of trays for receiving discharged sheets bearing a formed image,
- a setting means for selectively setting the form of output with respect to at least one of

said plurality of trays, and

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